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Loe, Emily

Sent:

Wednesday, December 11, 2013 9:57 AM

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-Mike

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Sent: Tuesday, December 10, 2013 1:33 PM

**To:** Duchek, Michael

Subject: Drafting request from Rep. Czaja

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**Emily** 

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#### 2013-2014 LEGISLATURE

An Act to create 448.6(m), 446.(m), 447.(m) and 449.(m) of the statutes; relating to: the duty of podiatrist, chiropractors, dentists and optometrist to inform patients of treatment options.

**Analysis** 

Under Wisconsin's informed consent law, a podiatrist, chiropractor, dentist or optometrist who treats a patient has a duty to inform the patient about the availability of all alternate viable modes of treatment and the benefits and risks of those treatments, subject to certain exceptions.

A podiatrist, chiropractor, dentist or optometrist who fails to so inform a patient about modes of treatment may be held civilly liable for damages under tort law.

The Wisconsin Supreme Court has employed a "reasonable patient standard" to determine whether a physician has fulfilled his or her duty. Under the reasonable patient standard, a physician must disclose information necessary for a reasonable person in the patient's position to make an intelligent decision with respect to the choices of treatment. The Wisconsin Supreme Court has also held that the duty to inform a patient about alternate modes of treating the patient's condition includes the duty to inform a patient about alternate modes of diagnosing the patient's condition.

This bill instead provides that any podiatrist, chiropractor, dentist or optometrist who treats a patient has a duty to inform the patient only about the availability of reasonable alternate modes of treatment and the benefits and risks of those treatments that a reasonable podiatrist, chiropractor, dentist or optometrist in the same or a similar specialty would know and disclose under the circumstances.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1: 448.6(m) of the statutes is created to read:

**448.6(m) Informed Consent:** Any Podiatrist who treats a patient shall inform the patient about the availability of reasonable alternate modes of treatment and about the benefits and risks of these treatments. The reasonable podiatrist standard is the standard for informing a patient under this section. The reasonable podiatrist standard requires disclosure only of information that a reasonable podiatrist would know and disclose under the circumstances.

The Podiatrist's duty to inform the patient under this section does not require disclosure of:

- (1) Detailed technical information that in all probability a patient would not understand.
- (2) Risks apparent or known to the patient.
- (3) Extremely remote possibilities that might falsely or detrimentally alarm the

patient.

- (4) Information in emergencies where failure to provide treatment would be more harmful to the patient than treatment.
- (5) Information in cases where the patient is incapable of consenting.
- (6) Information about alternative modes of treatment for any condition the Podiatrist has not included in his or her diagnosis at the time the Podiatrist informs the patient.

## Section 2: 446.(m) of the statutes is created to read:

446.(m) Informed Consent: Any Chiropractor who treats a patient shall inform the patient about the availability of reasonable alternate modes of treatment and about the benefits and risks of these treatments. The reasonable chiropractor standard is the standard for informing a patient under this section. The reasonable chiropractor standard requires disclosure only of information that a reasonable chiropractor would know and disclose under the circumstances. The Chiropractor's duty to inform the patient under this section does not require disclosure of:

(1) Detailed technical information that in all probability a patient would not understand.

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(5) Information in cases where the patient is incapable of consenting.

(6) Information about alternative modes of treatment for any condition the Chiropractor has not included in his or her diagnosis at the time the Chiropractor informs the patient.

## Section 3: 447.(m) of the statutes is created to read:

**447.(m): Informed Consent:** Any Dentist who treats a patient shall inform the patient about the availability of reasonable alternate modes of treatment and about the benefits and risks of these treatments. The reasonable dentist standard is the standard for informing a patient under this section. The reasonable dentist standard requires disclosure only of information that a reasonable dentist would know and disclose under the circumstances. The Dentist's duty to inform the patient under this section does not require disclosure of:

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#### **Section 4:** 448.(m) of the statutes is created to read:

**449.(m): Informed Consent:** Any Optometrist who treats a patient shall inform the patient about the availability of reasonable alternate modes of treatment and about the benefits and risks of these treatments. The reasonable optometrist standard is the standard for informing a patient under this section. The reasonable optometrist standard requires disclosure only of information that a reasonable optometrist would know and disclose under the circumstances.

The Optometrist's duty to inform the patient under this section does not require disclosure of:

- (1) Detailed technical information that in all probability a patient would not understand.
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## Duchek, Michael

From:

Loe, Emily

Sent:

Friday, January 10, 2014 12:55 PM

To: Cc:

Duchek, Michael Gibbs, Adam

Subject:

RE: Drafting request from Rep. Czaja - informed consent

Mike,

Alternate instead of alternative is fine. Our goal is to mirror as closely as possible.

And we like the addition of the initial applicability.

Thanks again,

**Emily** 

From: Duchek, Michael

Sent: Friday, January 10, 2014 10:38 AM

**To:** Loe, Emily **Cc:** Gibbs, Adam

Subject: RE: Drafting request from Rep. Czaja - informed consent

Update – As I was working on this, I noticed two things:

- 1.) The instructions used the word "alternative" instead of "alternate" in the created subsections (6). Since Act 111 (now s. 448.30 (7)) used "alternate" I changed "alternative" to "alternate" in those places as I assume this was reason you did actually mean "alternative" in that place, let me know.
- 2.) I added initial applicability provisions to match what was included in Act 111.

https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/2013/related/acts/111

That is all. Hope to have it to you soon,

-Mike

From: Loe, Emily

Sent: Wednesday, January 08, 2014 2:47 PM

To: Duchek, Michael Cc: Gibbs, Adam

Subject: RE: Drafting request from Rep. Czaja - informed consent

Mike, please see the answers below. I have also copied Adam Gibbs from Sen. Grothman's office.

1. Compared to s. 448.30, the instructions and these provisions eliminate references to the word "medical" from "modes of treatment"," presumably because "medical"

implies a connection with the practice of medicine by physicians. They also eliminate references to specialties, which I assume is because these four professions do not have specialties in the same sense as physicians do. If any of this is incorrect, let me know.

Both statements are correct. We specifically eliminated the term medical and reference to specialties as they did not have the same sense as physician specialties.

2. I'm not sure each type of health care provider would necessarily be issuing a diagnosis per se in every case in which the provider explains treatment options, so you may wish to add some language to account for this fact somehow in each subsection (6).

We prefer the language as submitted and no additional language added. Each healthcare provider would be issuing a diagnosis in every case in which they explain treatment options.

3. Current law, s. 448.40 (2) (a), stats., requires the Medical Examining Board to promulgate rules implementing s. 448.30. Those rules are found in ch. Med 18 of the Administrative Code. Let me know if you would like to add language requiring, or permitting, the four boards implicated in this bill to promulgate rules implementing the informed consent provisions created in the bill as well.

Excellent concept. We agree that adding this information in for each board would be positive and approve that change.

Thank you!!

**Emily** 

From: Duchek, Michael

Sent: Wednesday, January 08, 2014 11:31 AM

To: Loe, Emily

Subject: RE: Drafting request from Rep. Czaja

OK I just copied and pasted my questions. Here are the questions I had for you:

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Sent: Wednesday, January 08, 2014 11:30 AM

To: Duchek, Michael

Subject: RE: Drafting request from Rep. Czaja

Yes, please send the drafter's notes so we can give them a look.

Thanks, Emily

From: Duchek, Michael

Sent: Wednesday, January 08, 2014 11:29 AM

To: Loe, Emily

Subject: RE: Drafting request from Rep. Czaja

Emily,

It's in our editing room but it has not been edited yet. In addition, I had a couple small notes and questions. If you want, I could email you those instead to expedite things. Let me know,

-Mike

From: Loe, Emily

Sent: Wednesday, January 08, 2014 11:07 AM

To: Duchek, Michael

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Hi Mike,

Just checking in on the progress of the draft for informed consent podiatrist, chiropractor, dentist, and optometrist.

Rep. Czaja is hoping to introduce the bill soon, and try for a hearing yet in January.

Thank you. Emily 6-7694

From: Loe, Emily

Sent: Wednesday, December 11, 2013 10:01 AM

To: Duchek, Michael

Subject: RE: Drafting request from Rep. Czaja

Thank you!

From: Duchek, Michael

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To: Loe, Emily

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## State of Misconsin 2013 - 2014 **LEGISLATURE**



LRB-3809/P1 MED:/.:

# PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR

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...; relating to: a duty of podiatrists, chiropractors, dentists, and optometrists to inform patients of treatment options

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Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This is a preliminary draft. An analysis will be provided in a subsequent version of this draft.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 446.08 of the statutes is created to read:

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446.08 Informed Consent. Any chiropractor who treats a patient shall inform the patient about the availability of reasonable alternate modes of treatment

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and about the benefits and risks of these treatments. The reasonable chiropractor

standard is the standard for informing a patient under this section. The reasonable

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9	more harmful to the patient than treatment.
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11	(6) Information about alternative modes of treatment for any condition the
12	chiropractor has not included in his or her diagnosis at the time the chiropractor
13	informs the patient.
14	SECTION 2. 447.40 of the statutes is created to read:
$\overline{15}$	447.40 Informed Consent. Any dentist who treats a patient shall inform the
16	patient about the availability of reasonable alternate modes of treatment and about
17	the benefits and risks of these treatments. The reasonable dentist standard is the
18	standard for informing a patient under this section. The reasonable dentist standard
19	requires disclosure only of information that a reasonable dentist would know and
20	disclose under the circumstances. The dentist's duty to inform the patient under this
21	section does not require disclosure of:
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(6) Information about alternative modes of treatment for any condition the
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- alternate (6) Information about alternative modes of treatment for any condition the podiatrist has not included in his or her diagnosis at the time the podiatrist informs

3 the patient.

**SECTION 4.** 449.25 of the statutes is created to read:

449.25 Informed consent. Any optometrist who treats a patient shall inform the patient about the availability of reasonable alternate modes of treatment and about the benefits and risks of these treatments. The reasonable optometrist standard is the standard for informing a patient under this section. The reasonable optometrist standard requires disclosure only of information that a reasonable optometrist would know and disclose under the circumstances. The optometrist's duty to inform the patient under this section does not require disclosure of any of the following; (a)

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## 2013-2014 DRAFTING INSERT FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

#### **INSERT ANALYSIS**

Under Wisconsin's physician informed consent law, a physician who treats a patient has a duty to inform the patient about treatment options. A physician who fails to so inform a patient about modes of treatment may be held civilly liable for damages under tort law. This common law duty, as it relates to physicians, has been codified as a statutory duty.

In the case Hannemann v. Boyson, 2005 WI 94, the Wisconsin Supreme Court wrote that this duty to inform a patient about treatment options was not necessarily limited to physicians, and the court held in Hannemann that a chiropractor had such a duty to inform a patient. The duty, as it relates to chiropractors or any other health

care professionals, has not previously been codified as a statutory duty.

2013 Wisconsin Act 111 modified the codified duty of physicians to inform a patient about treatment options in a number of ways, including: 1) providing that the "reasonable physician standard," as defined in the act, is the standard for informing a patient and 2) providing that the physician's duty does not require the disclosure of information about alternate medical modes of treatment for any condition the physician has not included in his or her diagnosis at the time the physician informs the patient. Jentists podiatists

This bill codifies into the statutes a similar duty to inform a patient about

treatment options with respect to the following types of health care professionals:

1) chiropractors; 2) podiatrists; 3) dentists; and 4) optometrists.

Specifically, the bill provides that any chiropractor, podiatrist, dentist,) or optometrist who treats a patient must inform the patient about the availability of reasonable alternate modes of treatment and about the benefits and risks of these treatments. The bill provides that the reasonable chiropractor, podiatrist, dentist, or optometrist standard, whichever is applicable, is the standard for informing a patient under that duty. The bill provides that this standard requires disclosure only of information that a reasonable chiropractor, podiatrist, dentist, or optometrist would know and disclose under the circumstances. The bill provides that a chiropractor's, podiatrist's, dentist's, or optometrist's duty to so inform the patient does not require disclosure of any of the following:

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## **Duchek, Michael**

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Rep.Czaja

Sent:

Wednesday, January 15, 2014 12:42 PM

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Subject:

RE: Draft review: LRB -3809/P1 Topic: Informed consent for podiatrists, chiropractors,

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Mike,

This LRB is good to go; could we please have a /1 to circulate.

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# State of Misconsin 2013 - 2014 LEGISLATURE





# PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

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AN ACT/to renumber and amend 448.695 (1); and to create 446.02 (11), 446.08, 447.02 (2) (f), 447.40, 448.695 (1) (b), 448.697 and 449.25 of the statutes; relating to: a duty of podiatrists, chiropractors, dentists, and optometrists to inform patients of treatment options and granting rule-making authority.

## Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under Wisconsin's physician informed consent law, a physician who treats a patient has a duty to inform the patient about treatment options. A physician who fails to so inform a patient about modes of treatment may be held civilly liable for damages under tort law. This common law duty, as it relates to physicians, has been codified as a statutory duty.

In the case Hannemann v. Boyson, 2005 WI 94, the Wisconsin Supreme Court wrote that this duty to inform a patient about treatment options was not necessarily limited to physicians, and the court held in Hannemann that a chiropractor had such a duty to inform a patient. The duty, as it relates to chiropractors or any other health care professionals has not previously been codified as a statutory duty.

2013 Wisconsin Act 111 modified the codified duty of physicians to inform a patient about treatment options in a number of ways, including: 1) providing that the "reasonable physician standard," as defined in the act, is the standard for informing a patient and 2) providing that the physician's duty does not require the disclosure of information about alternate medical modes of treatment for any condition the physician has not included in his or her diagnosis at the time the physician informs the patient.

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This bill codifies into the statutes a similar duty to inform a patient about treatment options with respect to the following types of health care professionals:

1) chiropractors; 2) dentists; 3) podiatrists; and 4) optometrists.

Specifically, the bill provides that any chiropractor, dentist, podiatrist, or optometrist who treats a patient must inform the patient about the availability of reasonable alternate modes of treatment and about the benefits and risks of these treatments. The bill provides that the reasonable chiropractor, dentist, podiatrist, or optometrist standard, whichever is applicable, is the standard for informing a patient under that duty. The bill provides that this standard requires disclosure only of information that a reasonable chiropractor, dentist, podiatrist, or optometrist would know and disclose under the circumstances. The bill provides that a chiropractor's, dentist's, podiatrist's, or optometrist's duty to so inform the patient does not require disclosure of any of the following:

1) Detailed technical information that in all probability a patient would not

understand.

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## The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

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3	about the benefits and risks of these treatments. The reasonable chiropractor
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5	chiropractor standard requires disclosure only of information that a reasonable
6	chiropractor would know and disclose under the circumstances. The chiropractor's
7	duty to inform the patient under this section does not require disclosure of any of the
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9	(1) Detailed technical information that in all probability a patient would not
10	understand.
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13	the patient.
14	(4) Information in emergencies where failure to provide treatment would be
15	more harmful to the patient than treatment.
16	(5) Information in cases where the patient is incapable of consenting.
17	(6) Information about alternate modes of treatment for any condition the
18	chiropractor has not included in his or her diagnosis at the time the chiropractor
19	informs the patient.
20	<b>SECTION 3.</b> 447.02 (2) (f) of the statutes is created to read:
21	447.02 (2) (f) Provisions implementing s. 447.40.
22	SECTION 4. 447.40 of the statutes is created to read:
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24	patient about the availability of reasonable alternate modes of treatment and about
25	the benefits and risks of these treatments. The reasonable dentist standard is the

1	standard for informing a patient under this section. The reasonable dentist standard
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## **SECTION 8.** 449.25 of the statutes is created to read:

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7	patient.
8	(d) Information in emergencies where failure to provide treatment would be
9	more harmful to the patient than treatment.
10	(e) Information in cases where the patient is incapable of consenting.
11	(f) Information about alternate modes of treatment for any condition the
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13	informs the patient.
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24	subsection.

- 1 (4) The treatment of section 449.25 (1) of the statutes first applies to an optometrist required to inform a patient about modes of treatment on the effective
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